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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKX	DOCUMENT ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC #: DATE FILED: 1/10/2018
VISTA FOOD EXCHANGE INC.,	
Plaintiff,	17-CV-07454 (ALC)(SN)
-against-	<u>INITIAL PRETRIAL</u> CONFERENCE ORDER
LAWSON FOODS, LLC,	
Defendant.	
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SARAH NETBURN, United States Magistrate Judge:

On January 10, 2018, the Honorable Andrew L. Carter, Jr. referred this case to my docket for general pretrial supervision. Accordingly, an Initial Pretrial Conference pursuant to Rule 16 is scheduled for Wednesday, January 24, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. in Courtroom 219, Thurgood Marshall Courthouse, 40 Foley Square, New York, New York.

Rule 16(a) Conference. The Court intends to engage in a meaningful discussion in order to schedule an appropriate case management plan. The parties will be required to discuss at the conference the subjects set forth in Rule 16(b) and (c) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. In particular, the parties should be prepared to address: (i) the scope of discovery as defined by Rule 26(b)(1) as amended; (ii) whether phased discovery – that is, focusing on sources that are easier and cheaper to produce before moving on to more difficult and expensive sources – is appropriate; (iii) whether the parties anticipate the need for a protocol concerning electronically stored information (ESI); (iv) whether a protective order is necessary or appropriate; and (v) whether issues related to the attorney-client privilege are likely to be material and if an order under Federal Rule of Evidence 502 is appropriate.

Rule 26(f) Conference. In advance of the Rule 16 conference, counsel for the parties are

directed to confer to discuss the matters set forth in Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil

Procedure. In order to promote a just, speedy and inexpensive resolution of this case, the parties

are further directed to read the Advisory Committee Notes from the 2015 Amendments to Rule

26. The parties shall comply with their Rule 26(a) initial disclosure obligations no later than 14

days after the parties' Rule 26(f) conference.

Proposed Scheduling Order. As soon as practicable before the scheduled conference,

the parties are directed to complete the Civil Case Management Plan and Scheduling Order,

available at http://nysd.uscourts.gov/judge/Netburn, and e-mail it to

Netburn_NYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov. Counsel who disagree about the dates or other

terms of the proposed schedule, shall submit a joint letter briefly explaining the dispute.

SO ORDERED.

SARAH NETBURN

United States Magistrate Judge

DATED: January 10, 2018

New York, New York